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9 **BEFORE THE**
BOARD OF REGISTERED NURSING
10 **DEPARTMENT OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS**
11 **STATE OF CALIFORNIA**

12 In the Matter of the Accusation Against:

Case No. *2013-519*

13 **CHRISTOPHER CARLSON,**
14 **AKA CHRISTOPHER LEE CARLSON**
306 Laurelwood Circle
15 Laurel, MS 39440

A C C U S A T I O N

16 **Registered Nurse License No. 736478**

17 Respondent.

18 Complainant alleges:

19 **PARTIES**

20 1. Louise R. Bailey, M.Ed., RN (Complainant) brings this Accusation solely in her
21 official capacity as the Executive Officer of the Board of Registered Nursing, Department of
22 Consumer Affairs.

23 2. On or about September 11, 2008, the Board of Registered Nursing issued
24 Registered Nurse License Number 736478 to Christopher Carlson, also known as Christopher
25 Lee Carlson (Respondent). The Registered Nurse License expired on July 31, 2010, and has not
26 been renewed.

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1 **CAUSE FOR DISCIPLINE**

2 **(Out of State Discipline)**

3 8. Respondent has subjected his license to disciplinary action under Code section
4 2761, subdivision (a)(4), in that he has had a professional license disciplined in another state.
5 The circumstances are that his Oregon registered nurse license has been disciplined in a
6 disciplinary action entitled *In the Matter of Christopher Lee Carlson, RN License No.*
7 *200842909RN*. The Oregon State Board of Nursing (Oregon Board) issued a Final Order By
8 Default Reference No. 12-01729 dated May 17, 2012, revoking Respondent's license based upon
9 his failure to cooperate with the Board during the course of an investigation and by exhibiting
10 psychological impairment, which constitutes conduct derogatory to the standards of nursing and
11 to his relationship with the Board, in violation of Oregon Revised Statutes (ORS) section
12 678.111, subdivision (1)(f), and Oregon Administrative Rules (OAR) section 851-045-0070,
13 subdivisions (5)(b) and (7)(c).

14 9. Based on the evidence before it, the Oregon Board made the following Findings
15 of Fact:

16 a. On October 1, 2008, the Oregon Board issued professional nurse license
17 number 200842909RN to Respondent.

18 b. On December 14, 2011, the Board received information that Respondent
19 had reportedly demonstrated a pattern of impaired judgment and unprofessional conduct. The
20 Board opened an investigation on the matter.

21 c. On February 27, 2012, Board staff sent Respondent a letter, to his address
22 of record, instructing him to contact the Board within ten (10) business days to schedule an
23 interview to discuss the allegations. Respondent did not schedule an interview.

24 d. On March 12, 2012, Board staff sent a second letter, to Respondent's
25 address of record, instructing him to contact the Board within five (5) business days to schedule
26 an interview to discuss the allegations. Respondent did not schedule an interview.

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1 e. On March 14, 2012, the Board received a new complaint alleging that
2 Respondent had admitted to sending threatening letters, containing an unknown white powder, to
3 members of the United States Congress. The Board opened an investigation into the matter.

4 f. On March 20, 2012, Board staff sent a Notice of Proposed Suspension of
5 Registered Nurse license for failing to cooperate with the Board during the course of an
6 investigation, by failing to schedule an interview. The Notice granted Respondent an opportunity
7 for hearing, if requested, within 20 days of the mailing of the Notice.

8 g. On March 27, 2012, Respondent submitted a signed Interim Order by
9 Consent, voluntarily removing himself from the practice of nursing, until further ordered by the
10 Board. Respondent still did not schedule an interview to discuss the matter. Respondent did not
11 request a hearing on the Notice.

12 h. On April 19, 2012, the Board issued Final Order By Default suspending
13 Respondent's Registered Nurse license for a minimum of two weeks commencing after five
14 business days.

15 i. On April 23, 2012, Board staff sent a Notice of Proposed Revocation of
16 Respondent's Registered Nurse license for failing to cooperate with the Board during the course
17 of an investigation and for exhibiting psychological impairment. The Notice granted Respondent
18 an opportunity for hearing, if requested, within 20 days of the mailing of the Notice.

19 10. Based on the evidence before it, the Oregon Board made the following
20 Conclusions of Law:

21 a. That the Board has jurisdiction over the subject matter of the proceeding.

22 b. That Respondent's conduct involving failure to cooperate with the Board
23 during the course of an investigation is subject to discipline pursuant to violations of ORS
24 section 687.111, subdivision (1)(f) and OAR section 851045.0070, subdivision (7)(a) and
25 subdivision (7)(c).

26 c. That Respondent defaulted on the Notice of Proposed Suspension by not
27 requesting a hearing within the allotted twenty (20) days and as a result, pursuant to ORS
28 183.310 to 183.550, the Board may enter a Final Order by Default.

1 d. That Respondent's conduct involving failure to cooperate with the Board
2 during the course of an investigation and exhibition of psychological impairment is subject to
3 discipline pursuant to violations of ORS section 687.111, subdivision (1)(f) and OAR section
4 851045.0070, subdivision (5)(b), subdivision (5)(c), and subdivision (7)(c).

5 e. That Respondent defaulted on the Notice of Proposed Revocation by not
6 requesting a hearing within the allotted twenty (20) days and as a result, pursuant to ORS
7 183.310 to 183.550, the Board may enter a Final Order by Default.

8 **PRAYER**


9 WHEREFORE, Complainant requests that a hearing be held on the matters herein
10 alleged, and that following the hearing, the Board of Registered Nursing issue a decision:

11 1. Revoking or suspending Registered Nurse License Number 736478, issued to
12 Christopher Carlson, also known as Christopher Lee Carlson;

13 2. Ordering Christopher Carlson, also known as Christopher Carlson, to pay the
14 Board of Registered Nursing the reasonable costs of the investigation and enforcement of this
15 case, pursuant to Business and Professions Code section 125.3;

16 3. Taking such other and further action as deemed necessary and proper.
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20 DATED: December 24, 2012

for 

LOUISE R. BAILEY, M.ED., RN
Executive Officer
Board of Registered Nursing
Department of Consumer Affairs
State of California
Complainant

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